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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application No.	10/682,276
Filing Date	October 8, 2003
First Named Inventor	Daniel J Zierath
Art Unit	1742
Examiner Name	Alexander, Michael P.
Attorney Docket Number	42P15930

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ____

ii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) and any additional claims fee(s)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other: ($.00) _____

b. ☒ Check in the amount of $790.00 enclosed

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosd)

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name *(Print/Type)*	Thierry K. Lo	*Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)*	49,097
Signature		Date	5/15/2006

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

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